REMARKS

Claims 1-28 are pending. Please cancel Claims 4, 14, and 23 without prejudice. Claims 1, 5, 10, 20, and 24 are amended herein. No new matter is added as a result of the Claim amendments.

Specification

The disclosure is objected to for not providing the application number of a copending application entitled A Method and System for Computer Distribution Using Networked Software Dispensing Vending Machines by Maurice Sharp, Steve Stefanik, and Gabriel Acosta-Lopez. The specification has been amended to provide the application number of the co-pending application. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objection.

35 U.S.C. § 102 Rejections

Claims 1, 2, 10-12, 20, and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Willner et al. (2002/0169677A1), hereinafter referred to as "Willner." The Applicants respectfully submit that the embodiments of the present invention recited in amended Claims 1, 10, and 20 are not anticipated by Willner. Amended Claim 1 recites, "a display device coupled with said bus, said display device for displaying an emulation of said portable computer system." The Applicants respectfully submit that Willner does not teach or suggest displaying an emulation of a portable computer system by a display device. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claim 1 of the present invention overcomes the objection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

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Similarly, amended Claims 10 and 20 recite a display device for displaying an emulation of a portable electronic device and a hand held computer system respectively. The Applicants respectfully submit that Willner does not teach or suggest displaying an emulation of either a portable electronic device or hand held computer system by a display device as recited by the present invention. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 10 and 20 also overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

Furthermore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Willner does not teach or suggest a display device capable of displaying an emulation of a device as recited Claims 1, 10, and 20 of the present invention. For example, the rejection cites fuel pump 706 of Figure 4 as being comparable to the display device recited in Claims 1, 10, and 20 of the present invention. The Applicants respectfully submit that Willner does not teach or suggest any type of display device associated with fuel pump 706. More specifically, Willner does not teach or suggest a display device associated with fuel pump 706 capable of displaying an emulation of a portable computer system, portable electronic device, or a hand held computer system as recited in Claims 1, 10, and 20 respectively of the present invention.

Claims 2-3, and 5-9 depend from Claim 1 and provide further limitations descriptive of the present invention. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 2-3, and 5-9 also overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

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Claims 11-13, and 15-19 depend from Claim 10 and provide further limitations descriptive of the present invention. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 11-13, and 15-19 also overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

Claims 21-22, and 24-28 depend from Claim 20 and provide further limitations descriptive of the present invention. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 21-22, and 24-28 also overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

Claims 1-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Panofsky et al. (2002/0161476A1), hereinafter referred to as "Panofsky." The Applicants respectfully submit that the embodiments of the present invention recited in amended Claims 1, 10, and 20 are not anticipated by Panofsky. Amended Claim 1 recites, "a display device coupled with said bus, said display device for displaying an emulation of said portable computer system." The Applicants respectfully submit that Panofsky does not teach or suggest displaying an emulation of a portable computer system by a display device. The rejection cites box 50, lines 8-14 as describing an emulation of a portable computer system. The cited reference of Panofsky states:

"Accordingly, users who are computer users and eligible subscribers will be able to synchronize data contained on personal information management devices, cellular telephones, digital cameras, handheld computers, and personal digital assistants with their account on a central server in real time while standing at the vending machine 100 or host terminal.

The Applicants respectfully submit that this passage does not teach or suggest an emulation of a portable computer system as recited in Claim 1 of the present invention. Additionally, the Applicants respectfully submit that one skilled in the art

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Similarly, amended Claims 10 and 20 recite a display device for displaying an emulation of a portable electronic device and a hand held computer system respectively. The Applicants respectfully submit that Panofsky does not teach or suggest displaying an emulation of either a portable electronic device or hand held computer system by a display device as recited by the present invention. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 10, and 20 also overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

Claims 2-3, and 5-9 depend from Claim 1 and provide further limitations descriptive of the present invention. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 2-3, and 5-9 also overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

Claims 11-13, and 15-19 depend from Claim 10 and provide further limitations descriptive of the present invention. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 11-13, and 15-19 also overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

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Claims 21-22, and 24-28 depend from Claim 20 and provide further limitations descriptive of the present invention. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 21-22, and 24-28 also overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

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CONCLUSION

Based on the arguments presented above, the Applicants respectfully assert that Claims 1-28 overcome the rejections of record and, therefore, the Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of these Claims.

The Applicants have reviewed the reference cited but not relied upon. The Applicants did not find this reference to show or suggest the present claimed invention: (2002/0023215 A1), (2002/0023028 A1), (2002/0099658 A1), (6,470,232 B2), (2002/0188863 A1), (2002/0040962 A1).

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

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